

**IN THE CLAIMS**

1. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:  
  
receiving one of a Short Message Service, Enhanced Message Service,  
  
Multimedia Message service, and SyncML message;  
  
extracting a device identifier and a subscriber identifier from the message;  
  
applying the device identifier to determine a device status, including  
  
location information,  
  
applying the subscriber identifier to identify subscriber services;  
  
applying the device identifier to a deny database, the deny database  
  
including a list of devices to deny access to network services except  
  
for customer services; and  
  
applying permissions for access to the subscriber services by the  
  
subscriber according to the device status, wherein access is denied to  
  
network services other than customer services upon the device  
  
identifier appearing in the deny database;  
  
wherein the location information includes a geographical location and a  
  
logical location.
2. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 24, further comprising:  
  
extracting an International Mobile Equipment Identity from the message.
3. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 24, further comprising:

setting network access permissions according to the device status for a  
device corresponding to the device identifier.

4. (Canceled)

5. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 24, further comprising:  
receiving the message via a Short Message Peer to Peer interface.

6. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 24, further comprising:  
communicating the device status to a customer care facility.

7. (Cancelled)

8. (Original) The method of claim 7, further comprising:  
extracting at least one of an International Mobile Subscriber Identity and  
an Integrated Circuit Card ID from the message.

9. (Original) The method of claim 7, further comprising:  
applying the subscriber identifier to locate subscriber information.

10. (Currently Amended) A network element comprising:  
logic to

process at least one of a Short Message Service, enhanced Message Service, Multimedia Message Service, and SyncML message to extract a device identifier from the message, apply the device identifier to determine a device status, including location information, wherein the location information includes a geographical location and a logical location, extract a subscriber identifier from the message, apply the subscriber identifier to identify subscriber services, and applying the device identifier to a deny database, the deny database including a list of devices to deny access to network services except for customer services, and apply permissions to the subscriber services according to the device status, wherein access is denied to network services other than customer services upon the device identifier appearing in the deny database; and at least one processor to execute at least some of the logic.

11. (Previously Presented) The network element of claim 25, further comprising:  
logic to cause the setting of network access permissions for the device according to the device status.

12. (Previously Presented) The network element of claim 25, further comprising:

logic to cause the extraction of an International Mobile Equipment Identity  
from the message.

13. (Canceled)

14. (Previously Presented) The network element of claim 25, further comprising:  
logic to cause the receiving of the message via a Short Message Peer to  
Peer interface.

15. (Previously Presented) The network element of claim 25, further comprising:  
logic to cause the communicating of device status to a customer care  
facility.

16. (Cancelled)

17. (Original) The network element of claim 16, further comprising:  
subscriber identifier is at least one of International Mobile Subscriber  
Identity and Integrated Circuit Card ID.

18. (Canceled)

19. (Currently Amended) A communication arrangement comprising:  
a Short Message Service Center (SMSC);

a permissions facility;

a deny database including a list of devices to deny access to network services; and

a network element configured to

receive a Short Message Service message from a device via the

SMSC,

extract a device identifier from the message,

apply the device identifier to locate device status information

including location information,

wherein the location information includes a geographical location

and a logical location,

extract a subscriber identifier from the message,

apply the subscriber identifier to determine subscriber services,

and

interact with the permissions facility to determine permissions to

apply to service requests originating from the device

according to the device status;

apply the device identifier to the deny database, and upon the

device identifier appearing in the deny database, to deny

denying access to network services except for customer services.

21. (Previously Presented) The communication arrangement of claim 26, further comprising:
- the network element further configured to extract an International Mobile Equipment Identity from the message.
22. (Previously Presented) The communication arrangement of claim 26, further comprising:
- the network element further configured to extract at least one of
- International Mobile Subscriber Identity and Integrated Circuit Card ID from the message.
23. (Canceled)
24. (Previously Presented) The method in claim 1, wherein the logical location is a status of the user.
25. (Previously Presented) The method in claim 10, wherein the logical location is a status of the user.
26. (Previously Presented) The method in claim 19, wherein the logical location is a status of the user.